

## ALARM NOTIFICATION SYSTEM AND DEVICE HAVING VOICE COMMUNICATION CAPABILITY

### ABSTRACT

A system for use in monitoring a plurality of subjects may be configured to receive data from a monitoring device, determine whether a subject has a condition that may require attention based on data received from the monitoring device, wirelessly send a notification message to a first portable electronic device and/or a second portable electronic device if a subject has a condition that may require attention, and facilitate voice communication between the first portable device and the second portable device. The voice data may be transferred using one of a network of the health care facility, a direct wireless connection between the portable devices, and a cellular network. The system may further be configured to forward other data from the first portable device to the second portable device, such as data associated with a notification message being displayed on one of the devices.